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**THE SOUTHEASTERN GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY**

## **FIELD TRIP NOTIFICATION**

9 November 2013 Field Trip

SMR Aggregates

Sarasota FL



***VERY IMPORTANT*** – you will notice that the SMR and UF waiver forms require notarizing. I would suggest that anyone who has difficulty finding a notary should contact the bank where they do business – most banks will notarize documents for their customers at no charge. Another option would be any branch of The UPS Store.

We have had quite an enthusiastic response to this field trip offering, so to make things fair to everyone involved, the following guidelines will be followed:

- The minimum age for participation in this trip is 16. No-one under 16 will be admitted to the mine. This is not our rule – it is the mine operator’s policy.
- The field trip is limited to 40 attendees. Again, this is not our rule – it is the limit imposed upon us by the mine operator.
- Your name will be added to the list upon receipt of your NOTARIZED SMR form, UF form, the SEGS form, and your payment of \$35 per person.
- Every SEGS member registering to attend is entitled to bring ONE non-member as a guest. Separate forms must be provided with the payment for the non-member.
- After the mail is collected on Monday, 4 November, field trip registration will be opened up to non-members. Any non-members who send in their forms and payment prior to Monday 2 October will be placed on a waiting list, in order to give SEGS members priority in registration.
- An SEGS membership form is also included with this email. Please take this opportunity to renew your membership and pay your \$35 dues, if you are not current. New members sending in their initial membership form and dues who also wish to attend the field trip and submit their waiver forms and field trip fees will be placed at the top of the waiting list, ahead of non-members.
- Personal Protection Equipment is MANDATORY on SMR Aggregates’ property. This includes boots (no sandals, tennis shoes, or street shoes – OR CROCS!), safety glasses or impact-resistant wrap-around style sunglasses, long pants, hard hats, and bright colored safety vests. If you do not have access to a safety vest, a limited number MAY be available – but please try to bring your own. Same with hard hats.
- A condition of participation in this field trip is that all fossils and cultural artifacts found and deemed to be of special scientific interest will be donated to the Florida Museum of Natural History. Any potentially scientifically significant fossils or cultural artifacts must be immediately reported to Roger Portell, who will make a determination regarding whether or not the find should be included in the Florida Museum of Natural History’s collection.
- The first person to pick up a fossil buys Roger a beer.

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

**The Southeastern Geological Society, Inc. Field Trip on 9 November 2013**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ NB. Your Registration is not complete until we have your cell phone number.

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail your registration and signed (and notarized where applicable) waivers with a check for \$35.00 (\$20 for students), to: The Southeastern Geological Society to SEGS, P.O. Box 1636, Tallahassee FL 32302.**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Initials) I have carefully read and understand the attached waiver and release form. Initializing this statement constitutes the equivalent of my signature, acknowledging The SEGS release of liability.

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AGGREGATES, INC.

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WAIVER OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the opportunity to enter the premises in and around the mining operations of SMR Aggregates, Inc. with permission to sever certain specified materials and operate miscellaneous equipment for that purpose, the undersigned assumes any risk which may be associated with that activity, and hereby releases SMR Aggregates, Inc., the operator, and Schroeder-Manatee Ranch, Inc., the owner, from all liability for any injury, property damage or other claim arising there from.

Signed at \_\_\_\_\_ (city), Florida this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Country, Zip Code

Witness before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

5875 Quarry Drive · Sarasota, Florida 34240

*A Subsidiary of Schroeder-Manatee Ranch, Inc.*



### Field Trip Release and Indemnity Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, in consideration of the receipt by me of permission from **SMR Aggregates, Inc.**, to participate in the Field Trip to be conducted on 9th November, 2013, and sponsored by the Florida Museum of Natural History, the receipt of such permission being hereby acknowledged, and being fully aware that the Field Trip may involve hazardous and/or dangerous activities, and/or be in a location in and/or around other hazardous and dangerous conditions, and recognizing and accepting the risks, known and unknown, involved in a Field Trip, hereby release and will indemnify, defend and hold harmless, **the Florida Museum of Natural History, the University of Florida, the State of Florida, and SMR Aggregates, Inc.**, their agents, officers, and volunteers, and the leader or leaders of the Field Trip (collectively referred to as "indemnitees") of and from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, as may be sustained by me, and to any loss, damage, or injury to any property of mine, while involved in any way with the Field Trip, including without limitation traveling to and from the site or sites of the Field Trip (whether by air, water, or land transportation) and at and during all stops and layovers during the Field Trip.

This release and indemnity includes without limitation liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action to or by third parties as well as to or by me. This release and indemnity includes without limitation liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, or injury caused in any way by the concurrent or contributory negligence of any indemnitee. This release and indemnity includes without limitation liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action arising out of or relating to, any loss, damage, or injury caused in any way by the sole negligence of any indemnitee. Having made all inquiries deemed by me to be appropriate, I hereby voluntarily assume all risks of loss, damage, or injury, including death, as may be sustained by me or any property of mine while involved in any way with the Field Trip.

In the event the release by me of any indemnitee of any liability, claim, demand, action, or cause of action described herein is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, I agree that my total recovery of damages from the indemnitees, or any of them, both actual and punitive, shall be limited to \$100.00 or the cost of admission to the Field Trip, whichever is less.

In the event any provision of this Release and Indemnity Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, all other provisions hereof shall continue to be enforceable and shall be interpreted as though said invalid provision had never been contained herein.

This release shall be binding upon my distributees, heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, and personal representatives.

**IN SIGNING THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, UNDERSTAND IT, AND I HAVE SIGNED IT VOLUNTARILY. I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT I WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIELD TRIP IF THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT WERE NOT SIGNED AND AGREED TO BY ME, AND THAT THE AGREEMENT BY ME TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE CONSIDERATION FROM ME FOR ME TO BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIELD TRIP.**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed name)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF and, intending to be legally bound thereby, the undersigned notary affixes his/her hand at \_\_\_\_\_(City),

\_\_\_\_\_ (State) this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Notary Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Signature)

Witnessed before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

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**NOTE:** SMR Aggregates, Inc. operates active mines. Their trucks and mining equipment **ALWAYS** have the right of way and mine traffic patterns vary by location. The fossils can be very sharp therefore you **must** wear boots (no sandals, no street shoes), long pants, hard hats, and bright colored safety vests. In the summer, it is highly recommended that light-colored clothes be worn. Also, sun block is strongly advised. Climatic conditions are subject to change rapidly. Be prepared for very hot, very wet, or somewhere in between, weather. Watch out for snakes, alligators, and biting/stinging insects. Recommended collecting items include: gardening-type gloves, collecting bags, vials, tissue paper for wrapping fossils, and an oyster knife (or wide bladed flat-tipped screwdriver). A rock hammer is strongly advised as are goggles.



## **Field Trip Release and Indemnity Agreement The Southeastern Geological Society**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, in consideration of the receipt by me of permission from The Southeastern Geological Society ("SEGS") to participate in a Field Trip entitled **SMR Aggregates Field Trip** to be conducted on **9 November 2013**, and sponsored by SEGS, the receipt of such permission being hereby acknowledged, and being fully aware that the Field Trip may involve hazardous and/or dangerous activities, and/or be in a location in and/or around other hazardous and dangerous conditions, and recognizing and accepting the risks, known and known, involved in a Field Trip, hereby release and will indemnify, defend and hold harmless SEGS agents, officers, and Volunteers of SEGS, and the leader or leaders of the Field Trip (collectively referred to as "indemnitees") of and from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, actions, and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or relating to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, as may be sustained by me, and to any loss, damage, or injury to any property of mine, while involved in any way with the Field Trip, including without limitation traveling to and from the site or sites of the Field Trip (whether by air, water, or land transportation) and at and during all stops and layovers during the Field Trip.

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Execution of this release and indemnification agreement constitutes agreement that photographs or recordings of field trip and/or associated meeting activities may be published in SEGS newsletters, publications, and websites without credit or compensation to the photographer and without compensation, credit, or further approval of field trip/meeting participants.

In the event any provision of this Release and Indemnity Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, all other provisions hereof shall continue to be enforceable and shall be interpreted as though said invalid provision had never been contained herein.

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Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed name)